



Lower Mississippi River Sub Basin Committee on Hypoxia

The other major interstate program that LDEQ participates in is the Lower Mississippi River Sub Basin Committee on Hypoxia. This committee was developed under the National Hypoxia Task Force and functions to coordinate implementation of the Hypoxia Action Plan by major sub-basins including coordination among smaller watersheds, Tribes and States in each of those sub-basins. Recently the lower sub basin committee has coordinated with the LMRCC for greater unity since the state members of the sub basin committee, Missouri, Tennessee, Arkansas, Mississippi and Louisiana are the same as for the LMRCC. The sub basin committee also includes members of the hypoxia task force federal agencies including USDA-NRCS, USGS, ACOE, and NOAA. One of the main actions of the sub basin committee are the identification of pilot watershed projects in each state for demonstrating nutrient reduction practices and the development of state nutrient reduction plans. Through the support of the sub basin committee, funding is being sought to further development of and monitoring of nutrient reducing BMP's. For information on the Lower Mississippi River Sub Basin Committee go to: www.epa.gov/msbasin.